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June 14, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**CONSTRUCTION-RELATED CONTRACT
PARK TO PLAYA TRAIL: STONEVIEW NC TO HAHN PARK SEGMENT
CULVER CITY
ESTABLISH CAPITAL PROJECT
APPROVE AN APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
ASSIGN TARIFF RULE 20A FUNDS
SPECS. 7318; CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 69771
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2)
(4 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will establish the Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project, Capital Project No. 69771; approve an appropriation adjustment; authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to execute a funding agreement; authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to proceed with preparation of design-build scoping documents; and assign California Public Utilities Commission Tariff Rule 20A funds available to the Second Supervisorial District to the City of Culver City and the City of Los Angeles for the proposed relocation of overhead utilities in the area of the proposed pedestrian bridge.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the recommended actions are not considered a project under Section 15378(b) of the State California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines or are alternatively exempt under Section 15262 for the reasons stated in this letter and the record of the project.

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

2. Establish the proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project, Capital Project No. 69771.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to proceed with preparation of design-build scoping documents for the proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project.
4. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation, as agent of the County of Los Angeles, to execute a funding agreement with the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority, including the submission of payment requests and acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$192,000, for oversight budget costs associated with the proposed management of pre-development activities and an additional \$375,000 to fund the project management activities, scoping document services, and contract administration for the proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project, Capital Project No. 69771.
5. Approve the appropriation adjustment in the amount of \$567,000 offset with revenue available to the Department of Parks and Recreation through the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 to fully fund the proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project, Capital Project No. 69771.
6. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee, as agent of the County of Los Angeles, to assign California Public Utilities Commission Tariff Rule 20A funds available to the Second Supervisorial District to the City of Culver City and the City of Los Angeles for the proposed future relocation of overhead utilities in the area of the proposed pedestrian bridge. The City of Culver City shall be assigned \$800,000 in Rule 20A funding allocations and the City of Los Angeles shall be assigned \$2,300,000 in Rule 20A funding allocations.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will find that the recommended actions do not constitute a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); establish the proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project and budget, Capital Project No. 69771; approve the appropriation adjustments and related funding agreements; authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee as agent of the County of Los Angeles to assign California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Tariff Rule 20A funds available to the Second Supervisorial District to the City of Culver City and the City of Los Angeles to relocate overhead utilities in the area of the

proposed pedestrian bridge; and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to proceed with preparation of design-build scoping documents.

Project Background

The proposed Park to Playa Trail is a planned 13-mile regional trail that will connect a network of trails, parks, and open spaces from the Baldwin Hills Parklands to the Pacific Ocean.

The eastern portion of the proposed Park to Playa Trail is an approximate 7-mile system of walking, hiking, and bicycle trails running southeasterly through parks and open space areas in the Baldwin Hills (including existing trails in Culver City Park, the Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook, the Kenneth Hahn State Recreational Area, and along the Stocker Street Corridor).

The western portion of the Park to Playa Trail consists of the existing Ballona Creek Bike Path in Culver City and the Marvin Braude Bike Path in Playa del Rey. There would be a total of 11 segments, with 2 segments (Marvin Braude Bike Path and Ballona Creek Bike Path) completed. The 9 other segments would consist of existing and proposed trails that pass through the northern section of the Baldwin Hills and surrounding areas.

The proposed trail alignment generally follows existing trails in public parks and open spaces with a few segments representing new trails that will connect existing trails or close gaps in the trail system. Other trail segments are in the process of being delivered by a combination of the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA). This critical trail segment, the proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project, will be delivered by Public Works.

The Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRCA) was established by the County and the Santa Monica Conservancy for the purpose of providing a comprehensive program to acquire, expand, and improve open space, natural habitat, recreational opportunities for the communities within the Baldwin Hills, and other natural and recreational areas within the Second Supervisorial District. On June 2, 2016, the Governing Board of BHRCA adopted a resolution that authorized the execution of a funding agreement with the Department of Parks and Recreation to undertake project-related activities associated with the design and construction of the Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project in an amount not to exceed \$375,000. Approval of the recommended action will authorize the Department of Parks

and Recreation to execute a funding agreement and accept funding in an amount not to exceed \$192,000 for the oversight management and related activities associated with the construction and management activities of the proposed project that was previously adopted by BHRCA on December 9, 2014, and an additional funding agreement in the amount of \$375,000 for project management activities, scoping document services, and contract administration for a total of \$567,000 for the proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project, Capital Project No. 69771.

Proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment Project

This segment of the Park to Playa Trail would connect the Kenneth Hahn State Recreational Area to the Stoneview Nature Center. The proposed project would include the underground relocation of overhead utility lines, the installation of a new pedestrian bridge across La Cienega Boulevard, and new decomposed granite trails, landscaping, and security fencing. A gate would be installed at the connection to the Stoneview Nature Center that will lock between dusk to dawn, effectively closing the trail from the Nature Center during those hours.

An as-needed consultant services agreement with RAW International, Inc., Agreement PW 13910, approved by the Board on August 12, 2014, will be used to prepare the scoping documents for the Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project. The project will be completed using the design-build project delivery method.

Upon allocation of the CPUC Tariff Rule 20A funding to the City of Culver City and the City of Los Angeles, and following each City passing resolutions to create an underground utility district, Southern California Edison (SCE) will begin design services for the proposed future relocation of overhead utility lines underground. SCE will manage the design and construction of this work and the Rule 20A funding allocated to each City will cover the costs for the proposed work if the proposed project is approved. SCE has estimated that this project would take 18 months for design and permitting and 18 months for construction. This schedule has been incorporated into the overall project delivery schedule.

Upon completion of the appropriate CEQA document by BHRCA, the lead agency for the proposed project, we will return to the Board to recommend approval of the project; approve the project budget, including all construction costs; and following issuance of a design-build Request for Proposals and evaluation of proposals, recommend award of a design-build contract to the apparent bidder having submitted the best value proposal.

Green Building/Sustainable Design Program

The proposed projects will support the Board's Green Building/Sustainable Design Program by incorporating into the project designs and construction, sustainable features to optimize energy and water use, enhance the sustainability of the site, and maximize the use and reuse of sustainable and local resources.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1), Community Support and Responsiveness (Goal 2), and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). The recommended action supports the Strategic Plan by investing in master planning efforts for public infrastructure improvements that will enhance recreational opportunities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total proposed project cost for the design and preconstruction activities is \$817,000, which includes the agreement with RAW International, Inc., as-needed consultant services, County services, and previous expenditures. The proposed project is funded with \$567,000 of Proposition A funding available to Parks and Recreation through BHRCA and \$250,000 of Second Supervisorial District net County cost.

Approval of the recommended action to authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation as agent of the County of Los Angeles to execute a funding agreement with BHRCA on behalf of the County of Los Angeles will allow the County to accept grant funds in the amount of \$567,000 for oversight budget costs associated with the proposed construction and management.

Approval of the attached appropriation adjustment will appropriate \$567,000 from Proposition A funds available to Parks and Recreation through BHRCA in the Capital Projects/Refurbishments budget, Capital Project No. 69771. There is no impact to net County cost.

RAW International, Inc., has agreed to provide architectural/engineering scoping documents preparation services for a \$150,000 total not-to-exceed fee. The negotiated fee for this work has been reviewed by Public Works and is considered reasonable for the scope of work.

Pursuant to the CPUC Tariff Rule 20A, the estimated cost of \$3,100,000 to underground the electrical lines as proposed will be funded by the CPUC Tariff Rule 20A funds available to SCE through the contribution of the Second Supervisorial District's CPUC Tariff Rule 20A allocations. The cost of the proposed future undergrounding other existing overhead utility lines within the street right of way would be borne by the affected utility. The County of Los Angeles will assign the City of Culver City \$800,000 and the City of Los Angeles \$2,300,000.

Operating Budget Impact

Based on the project description, Parks and Recreation anticipates one-time and ongoing costs to operate and maintain the completed project, if approved. Parks and Recreation will work with the Chief Executive Office to determine the appropriate level of services and available funding and request the one-time and ongoing funds in future new facilities requests.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The proposed project is a County project and subject to County planning requirements. BHRCA has indicated as part of the initial study and draft Mitigated Negative Declaration that although the project is a County project, the proposed project also conforms with the City of Culver City General Plan, specifically the 2000 General Plan Land Use Element and the 1996 Open Space Element.

The recommended consultant services agreement will contain terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances and policies, including, but not limited to: Child Support Compliance Program; Contractor Responsibility and Debarment; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program; Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program; County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Policies; Reporting of Improper Solicitations; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers; and Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law).

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended actions, establishing the projects, approving appropriation adjustments, executing funding agreements, assigning CPUC Tariff Rule 20A funds available to the Second Supervisorial District to the City of Culver City and the City of Los Angeles, and awarding consulting services agreements do not constitute a project under CEQA because they consist of activities that are exempt from the definition of a

project by Section 15378(b)(4) and (5) of the State CEQA Guidelines. The proposed action is an administrative activity of government, which will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment and include the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities that do not involve any commitment to any specific project, which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

The recommended actions are alternatively and additionally exempt from the CEQA because they involve feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions that are not approved or adopted by the Board and do not involve approval of a plan legally binding on future activities pursuant to Section 15262 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

No activity, which would constitute a project under CEQA, will be commenced unless the Board takes further action to consider and act upon environmental documentation pursuant to CEQA and approves a project.

The revised Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is being prepared by BHRCA as the lead agency under CEQA and will be provided when we return to the Board to request authority to approve the project; approve the project budget, including all construction costs; and recommend award of a design-build contract to the apparent lowest responsive and responsible bidder having submitted the most advantageous and best value proposal. The Board retains its discretion to approve, modify, or disapprove the proposed project based upon CEQA or any other grounds.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The as-needed consultant services agreement with RAW International, Inc., Agreement PW 13910, approved by the Board on August 12, 2014, will be used to prepare the scoping documents for the Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment project. The as-needed consultant services agreement was acquired through a qualifications-based selection process through Public Works Architectural Engineering Division.

A standard contract, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, was used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees were included in the contract.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended service.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter to the Department of Public Works, Project Management Division II.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail Farber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

GAIL FARBER
Director

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Enclosure

c: Auditor-Controller
Chief Executive Office (Capital Programs Division)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Department of Parks and Recreation
Department of Public Social Services (GAIN/GROW)

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

DEPT'S.
NO. 600

June 14, 2016

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER:

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. PLEASE CONFIRM THE ACCOUNTING ENTRIES AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

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SOURCES

PARKS AND RECREATION
PARK TO PLAYA TRAIL: STONVIEW NC TO HANH SEGMENT
A01-CP-94-9923-65043-69771
REV: OTHER GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS / CP \$567,000
INCREASE REVENUE

USES

PARKS AND RECREATION
PARK TO PLAYA TRAIL: STONVIEW NC TO HANH SEGMENT
A01-CP-6014-65043-69771
CAPITAL ASSETS-BUILDINGS AND IMPROVE. \$567,000
INCREASE APPROPRIATION

SOURCES TOTAL: \$ 567,000

USES TOTAL: \$ 567,000

JUSTIFICATION

The appropriation adjustment of \$567,000 from Safe Neighborhoods Park Proposition also known as Proposition A of 1996 available to the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority is necessary to fully fund the proposed Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview NC to Hahn Park Segment Project, Capital Project Number 69771.

ADOPTED
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE ROBERT MAYCUMBER, ADMN DEPUTY DIRECTOR

BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S APPROVAL (AS REQUESTED/REVISED)

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JUN 14 2016

Lori Glasgow
LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF
EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR --☐ ACTION☒ RECOMMENDATION

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

BY

Jaime Buena
June 1 20 16

B.A. NO. 202

☒ APPROVED AS REQUESTED☐ APPROVED AS REVISED

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

BY

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BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

June 2, 2016 - Agenda Item VIII

Resolution No. 2016-04

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZING A FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDING TO
THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
FOR OVERSIGHT ASSOCIATED WITH THE PARK TO PLAYA TRAIL: STONEVIEW
NATURE CENTER TO HAHN PARK SEGMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
\$375,000**

WHEREAS, the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRCA) was established by the County of Los Angeles (County) and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for the purpose of providing a comprehensive program to acquire, expand, and improve open space, natural habitat, and recreational opportunities within the Baldwin Hills and other natural and recreational areas within the Second Supervisorial District;

WHEREAS, BHRCA has the power to authorize and fund construction, management, and maintenance of recreational and park facilities within the Baldwin Hills;

WHEREAS, the County Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has expertise in managing parks and trails projects and will work closely with the County Department of Public Works to complete the construction of the Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview Nature Center to Hahn Park Segment (Project);

WHEREAS, staff recommends proceeding with the construction of the Project, which creates a critical link between the Blair Hills community to the Baldwin Hills Parklands, in a safe and efficient manner, and provides enhanced recreational opportunities for the surrounding communities;

WHEREAS, the construction of the Project will improve community involvement and engagement within the Baldwin Hills by creating better access to the new Stoneview Nature Center and Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the Chairperson of the Governing Board of BHRCA be authorized to enter into a funding agreement (in form approved by Counsel) with DPR to undertake oversight, management, and contract administration of the Project in an amount not to exceed \$375,000, subject to the Project being performed by the County employees or by contractors retained by the County in compliance with standard County contracting requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of BHRCA hereby authorizes its Chairperson to execute, upon approval as to form by County Counsel, a funding agreement with DPR to undertake the oversight, management, and contract administration activities associated with the Park to Playa Trail: Stoneview Nature Center to Hahn Park Segment, in an amount not to exceed \$375,000, subject to the project being performed by the County employees or by contractors retained by the County in compliance with standard County contracting requirements.



Chair

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Governing Board of the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 2nd day of June, 2016.



Executive Officer

BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

December 9, 2014 - Agenda Item IX

Resolution No. 14 -11

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING A FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDING TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR OVERSIGHT ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PARK TO PLAYA- SEGMENT C TRAIL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$192,000

WHEREAS, the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRCA) was established by the County of Los Angeles (County) and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for the purpose of providing a comprehensive program to acquire, expand, and improve open space, natural habitat, and recreational opportunities within the Baldwin Hills and other natural and recreational areas within the Second Supervisorial District;

WHEREAS, BHRCA has the power to authorize and fund construction, management, and maintenance of recreational and park facilities within the Baldwin Hills;

WHEREAS, the County Department of Public Works (DPW) has construction and construction management expertise;

WHEREAS, staff recommends proceeding with the construction of the Park to Playa – Segment C Trail, which creates a critical link and provide recreational opportunities;

WHEREAS, the construction of the Park to Playa – Segment C Trail will improve community involvement and engagement within the Baldwin Hills; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the Chairperson of the Governing Board of BHRCA be authorized to enter into a funding agreement with DPW to undertake certain oversight of the construction of the Park to Playa – Segment C Trail in an amount not to exceed \$192,000, subject to the project being performed by DPW employees or by contractors retained by DPW in compliance with standard County contracting requirements

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of BHRCA hereby authorizes its Chairperson to execute, upon approval as to form by County Counsel, a funding agreement with DPW to undertake oversight, management and related activities associated the construction of the Park to Playa – Segment C Trail, in an amount not to exceed \$192,000, subject to the project being performed by DPW employees or by contractors retained by DPW in compliance with standard County contracting requirements.

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Acting Chair

AYES: Muñoz, Vanderberg, Guiney, Katona

NOES: none

ABSENT: none

ABSTAIN: none

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a special meeting of the Governing Board of the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority, duly noticed and held according to law, on the 9th day of December, 2014.

Date: 12/9/14



Executive Officer